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(Case No. 00-1243-A)

In re Application of:

**Sammak, et al.**

Serial No.: **09/997,821**

Filed: **November 30, 2001**

For: **Microbead Test Plates and Test Methods for  
Fluorescence Imaging Systems**

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) **Art Unit: 1743**  
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) **Examiner: Alexander, Lyle**  
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) **Confirmation No.: 5270**  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-identified patent application:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate)
- ☒ Response to Office Action mailed September 13, 2004 (5 sheets);
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and response to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2004. No fee is believed due with this response; however if a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of the fee to our Deposit Account No.: 13-2490.